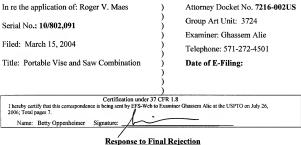
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Mail Stop Amendments

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is Applicants' Response to the Claim Objections and Rejections sections of the Final Office Action dated July 19, 2006, currently due on October 19, 2006.

This paper is a full Response to the Office Action of July 19, 2006. Since no claims are added and this Response is filed within the one-month after Final, no fee is due. In the event that a fee is required, please charge any fee due to Deposit Account 04-1699, and reference the Docket Number 7216-002US to assist counsel in charge tracking.

Note that only Claims 14 and 22 are amended, and the formally withdrawn claims, claims 1-8 and 11-13, are canceled herewith without prejudice to filing a Divisional case thereto.

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End of Section 1:

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